

NO CLUBBING, STILL MITCHELL'S ORDERS

Mayor's Answer to Harlem Heckler Wins Hostile Socialists' Cheer.

POLICE CAMPAIGN ISSUE

Tells Why Hearst and Murphy Want to Rule at City Hall.

Mayor Mitchell's willingness to answer campaign questions, fair or unfair, and his quickness and directness of reply again were attested in Harlem last night when one of the thousands who crammed into the Park View Palace Fifth Avenue and 116th Street, shouted: "Why did you let the police beat the East Side women up at the food riots?"

The Mayor had been contrasting the old Police Department with the new. He had said that his great ambition when he went to City Hall four years ago was "to lift that great department out of the condition of corruption and prostration that had come upon it as the result of such scandals as the Rosenthal murder and the Becker trial." The whole city now knew, he said, that the old evils had disappeared, that partnership with crime had been ended, that the force had been regenerated.

Police Question Moral Issue

"And I put it to you as a moral issue," he said, "whether you want a police force guided by Mr. Murphy, degenerated, in league with crime, protecting criminals, levying tribute upon the people or whether you want a police force run by Arthur Woods in the spirit of honesty and for the service of all the people of New York. That is a moral issue in this campaign and one that I commit to you with a good deal of confidence as to your answer."

It was at this point that the question was fired about the beating up of the East Side women. Applause for the heckler was mixed with the usual advice, "Put him out!"

The Mayor stood still and waited for the noise to stop. With a ring in his voice he made his reply:

"You want an answer," he said. "Here it is: When I assumed office the first direction I gave to the Police Commissioner was that the policy of forbidding the use of clubs upon peaceful and law-abiding citizens in this city should continue [applause] and that the police effort should be to use no force without warrant—and warrant meant the danger of attack upon himself or an attack upon the peace involving a felony—should be disciplined by his Commissioner. That policy has been followed."

"There were disturbances when those people came to the City Hall. There was disorder. If clubs were used, and used improperly, upon people who were not guilty of breaches of the peace the Commissioner of Police was under direction, and I have no doubt he has followed the direction, to impose discipline upon those men."

Socialists Cheer Answer.

"And let me say to you that the day when that committee came to the City Hall no one had notified me of their intention to come or I should have met them, as I met the earlier committee that called upon me. I am prepared at all times to meet all committees that come to the City Hall to discuss public questions, with me and to present any reasonable demands that any city government ought to consider or ought to sanction."

Ballot is strong in this part of Harlem. There were lots of Socialists in the hall, but whatever they were they appeared to be satisfied with the Mayor's words. For his answer was cheered as loudly as anything he said last night, which is saying a good deal.

Besides the Park View Palace meeting, Mr. Mitchell talked at the Democracy's Eighteenth Assembly district clubhouse, 238 East 108th Street, and Mitchell Fusion headquarters, 63 West 125th Street.

Summarizing the issue, the Mayor said: "Murphy is offering Hylan in order to get closer to the public treasury. Hearst, who formerly denounced Murphy, has clasped hands with him in order to grasp the government at City Hall and implant there the doctrine from Berlin."



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MAYOR BIDS MURPHY TO DEFEND Hylan

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Americanism in the campaign, and he made it clear that he did not believe Gov. Whitman understood these facts when he asserted that no such issue existed in the fight.

"I notice that Gov. Whitman in his statement last night said that he was only slightly acquainted with Judge Hylan," said the Mayor. "And had no doubt of his loyalty to the country. I, like Gov. Whitman, am very slightly acquainted with Judge Hylan—in fact, have only seen him across the bar of the Board of Estimate. But I do know who his backers are in this campaign. It is those backers who have raised the issue of Americanism and of loyalty in this campaign, that is to say, the section and disloyal element in the community, who are engaged in a bitter assault upon me because of the strongly American position taken by my administration."

"Now to the point. If Judge Hylan wishes to eliminate the question of loyalty and Americanism from this campaign he has a very simple way of doing it. Let him repudiate Hearst and all those who stand for the doctrine of the Hearst editorials. Let him repudiate Cohalan, Mr. Murphy's personal adviser, and all Cohalan stands for. Let him repudiate O'Leary, whose relative is directing Judge Hylan's campaign, and all O'Leary stands for. Let him repudiate Wilson, who wrote a year ago saying that he did not want his disloyal vote or the votes of men like him. Finally, let him repudiate Henry Bruckner, who supported the McLeary resolution and recorded himself thereby for the Von Tirpitz submarine policy."

"That is the way we can get rid of the American loyalty issue in this campaign. We can't get rid of it in any other way."

Mayor Attracts Big Crowd

The Mayor aroused a big crowd at the headquarters of the Commercial Travelers and Business Men's League, 357 Broadway, yesterday afternoon by denouncing Judge Hylan, Murphy and Hearst.

"My political opponent, Judge Hylan," he said, "is a candidate selected by Hearst, and he takes his inspiration on one hand from what Murphy stands for and on the other from what Hearst stands for. In his German propaganda, what Murphy stands for was better expressed some years ago in Mr. Hearst's papers when he said Murphy ought to be in jail. But to-day they have clasped hands in an unholy partnership."

"It is said that in this campaign of loyalty I am wrapped up in the American flag," cried the Mayor. "If I am, what better covering could any man have? But I do not claim any more or greater patriotism than you all have or can be found in all true and loyal men in this city. But Judge Hylan stands for Hearst, Cohalan and O'Leary, and he dare not repudiate them. Will the people of this city repudiate that government because it has stood for the United States against German horrors?"

CROPSEY DOFFS HIS ROBES FOR RALLY

Justice Presides at Bennett Meeting and Dwarfs the Candidate.

SCORES THE "MONEYBUND"

Tells Brooklyn Audience It Was He Himself Who Purified Police.

James C. Cropsey, a Justice of the Supreme Court, stepped off the bench and out of his judicial robes long enough to preside at a Bennett meeting in the Academy of Music in Brooklyn last night, and to charge that the newspapers of New York city, "with two or three exceptions," had been "bought up body and boots" by "the moneybund," for the sole purpose of reelecting Mayor Mitchell and of gratifying "sordid and selfish motives."

Although the great majority of the 2,000 persons that crowded the Academy of Music shrieked their pleasure over Justice Cropsey's utterances there were many who sat noticeably silent; who refused to join in applause for such language as Judges in office seldom employ.

Justice Cropsey's appearance in the political arena completely dwarfed interest in William M. Bennett's speech. Cropsey simply walked into the Academy of Music and took the meeting away from Bennett. There were hundreds present who would have preferred unquestionably to see Cropsey himself nominated by the Republican party. In fact, there was more than one "Why didn't you stick?" But the upshot of the whole meeting was Cropsey's somewhat violent pronouncement. Bennett sat like a statue until called. Then he made his speech while the audience was still reeling to the echoes of Cropsey's fulminations.

The meeting started with a patriotic demonstration. A young woman sang "The Star Spangled Banner" while 2,000 little flags waved accompaniment. Then everybody cheered for the flag, and Justice Cropsey was led to the footlights. He wasted no time in sailing into the Fusion Committee, whose chairman, William Hamilton Childs, he especially denounced. He asserted the power of unscrupulous wealth was being used to defeat Mr. Bennett and to elect Mr. Mitchell.

"I am a Republican and I am proud of it," he began. "I believe that the Republican party is capable of giving to this city the best, most honest and most capable administration it ever had. The Republican candidate for the office of Mayor cannot be defeated by Tammany Hall, but a few disgruntled Democrats, coupled with a motley assortment of malcontents who say that a Republican candidate can't win, are going to try to bring about his defeat."

A voice from the audience shouted: "They've bought the newspapers."

"My friend is right," said Justice Cropsey instantly, "all but two or three." He charged that the Fusion Committee, which named Mayor Mitchell for re-election was "handpicked" and that it attempted to dictate Mitchell's renomination to the Republican primaries.

Cleaned Police Himself.

"The moneybund says this administration cut politics out of the Police Department. Mayor Gaynor cut politics out of the Police Department in the fall of 1910 when he placed me at the head of the department. I stopped the making of transfers through influence."

"I know that the moneybund back of Mr. Mitchell are not backing him with any good motives, but solely for selfish and sordid motives. I know that they know that he hasn't a chance in the world to win, and that he was made an independent candidate solely for the purpose of defeating the Republican candidate and of bringing about the election of the representative of Tammany Hall. You think this is a strong statement, but I know it, and I'll tell you how I know it."

Then Justice Cropsey said that Chairman Childs of the fusion committee, together with six others called on him at his chambers in Brooklyn and talked over the situation before the primaries were held.

"We sat around in a pleasant hall, dressed like a Sunday school class," said Justice Cropsey. "It was a fine, large, picked committee. I asked Mr. Childs if he believed that Tammany would win if there were three tickets in the field. He said he did believe so. I asked him

the others present. They agreed with Mr. Childs. Then I asked: 'If Mitchell runs in the Republican primaries and is beaten, do you intend to run him independently?'

Was Rough to Childs.

"Childs wriggled in his chair and sank down in it so far I could hardly see him. Then he said that he guessed this was a matter about which the committee would have to confer. I demanded his personal views on the matter and he said he wasn't ready to answer. Then I accused them of untruthfulness, of trying to deceive me. I said:

"You, Mr. Childs, and people of your ilk are doing no good to the city of New York. It is an outrage that men of your wealth and social distinction should be able to put up a candidate independently and so try to bring about the election of the Tammany candidate. I told them that they were insincere and that they had no good purpose at heart."

"There is nothing at all in all this. I intend to keep control of the city," Mr. Bennett got a fine reception when he was introduced, but there seemed little spice in his talk as it compared with Justice Cropsey's. Mr. Bennett reiterated his familiar promises, after reiterating his story of fraud and attempted fraud meant to ruin him at the primaries. He promised, if elected—as he said positively he was going to be—to put an end forever to primary frauds. He reviewed the Mitchell administration from his standpoint and denounced it as the creature of selfish special interests. There was some mention of the "indicted Reynolds" and a general denunciation of the Mitchell policies.

Many Republican leaders did not attend the Bennett meeting, either because they are supporting Mayor Mitchell or because they were incensed at Mr. Bennett's demand that nobody except himself and Mr. Cropsey be allowed to speak last night.

Well-to-do Offer War Courses.

WELLESLEY, Mass., Oct. 15.—Wellesley College has decided to offer nine emergency courses in relief work during the present college year. They will include instruction in home nursing, first aid, wireless telegraphy, history of the war, home economics, gardening and conservation of produce, statistics and filing and surveying and map making.

WIFE LOST INSURANCE SUIT BY SHAM DEATH

Verdict Rendered in Searing Case in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 15.—A verdict for \$18,720 in favor of two insurance companies was rendered to-day in the United States court in the suit of Mrs. Frederick Ros Searing to recover that amount of insurance on her husband's life. Searing, formerly a Philadelphia contractor, shamming death for two years, confiding his secret only to his young woman daughter.

While supposedly bathing in the surf at Atlantic City, where he had a summer cottage, he disappeared, and the finding of his clothing in a bathroom led to the belief that he had lost his life in the ocean. Mrs. Searing donned mourning garments and tried to collect the insurance on the life of her husband. But the companies resisted on the ground that proof of death was lacking. The wife got a verdict for the full amount nevertheless.

Then there was an appeal and a second trial. While this was pending detectives employed by the companies found Searing alive in New Orleans, where he was living with his former stenographer under an assumed name. Both were brought back here, and when Mrs. Searing confronted her husband in court she fainted. Searing was sharply rebuked: "This is inhuman shame. She suffers from heart trouble and this may kill her."

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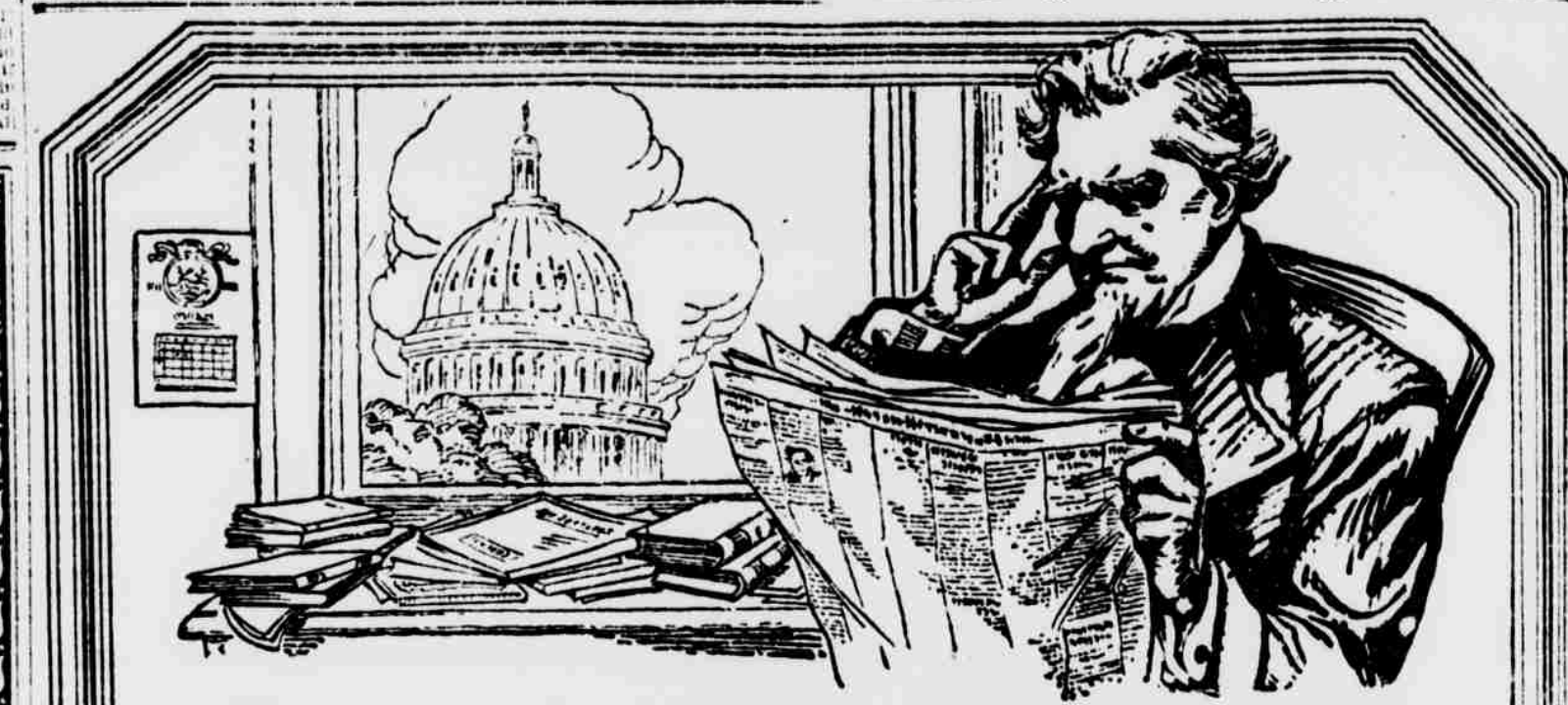
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New York Tribune
"The railroads are a military agency of the first importance. They are doing their full duty. But generosity of spirit and patriotic appreciation ought not to be all on one side. When Congress passed the Adamson law it put itself under a moral obligation to furnish the carriers with revenues to meet the increase in their payrolls. It is under a moral obligation at all times to keep the railroads in a state of efficiency."

Minneapolis Tribune
"Just now the nation is vitally interested in the railroads as a factor of defense. The carriers are entitled to a fair rate of profit as a matter of common justice, but superior to this right for consideration at this time is the duty of the nation to itself to see that, so far as the railroads are concerned, it is adequately safeguarded against dangers from without."

Baltimore Sun
"There has never been a time when it was more important that the transportation service of the country be maintained at the highest level of efficiency than the present. And the patriotic conduct of the roads since the declaration of war, their willingness and eagerness to cooperate with the Government, entitle them to the goodwill of the public."

Seattle Post Intelligencer
"It is as imperative for the national defense that the railroads have the money with which to equip themselves properly as it is that the government should have the money with which to finance the other operations of war. The railroads have no money save that which is invested by the people in their securities or that which is paid them for services. The money to equip them properly must come from these sources, for there are no others."

Philadelphia Public Ledger
"The people of the United States are in a better frame of mind to do justice to the railroads than was the case a few years ago. It is beginning to be realized that punitive regulation has gone far enough. This treatment has deprived the railroads of the power of initiative in many directions, and the country has suffered in consequence."

Washington Post
"Vast capital is necessary for the improvement and extension of all the railroads, and this can be obtained only by a governmental policy that will safeguard investment in railroad securities. The period of railroad baiting has long since passed, but the work of reconstruction has not yet begun."

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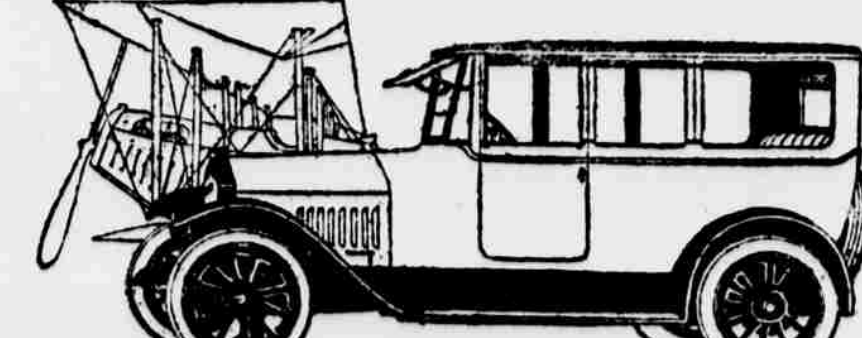
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